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SERVING THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER SINCE 1883

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2006

"And do you remember how the excitement of that beginning, of that first day of school, always got the best of some kid's stomach, and how the classroom smelled for days? Are these not wonderful memories?!"

— R. Stanton Hales, 2006 Convocation Address

Wooster this Week

ON CAMPUS

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SGA accused of negligence

Student Government President Jonathan Hartschuh '07 responds to student concern over items damaged in SGA-sponsored summer storage.

Alex Cacioppo
News Editor

Over the summer, most students who stored their clothes, furniture, televisions and other items found them in good shape as they retrieved their stuff out of the Holden Hall basement, as a part of a program sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA). However, an unlucky few discovered their effects in a lesser state, water-

logged and even ruined.

Regularly soggy Midwest weather is largely to blame by any measure, and damages were isolated among some students, according to SGA president John Hartschuh '07.

However, more than a few students claim that the SGA was negligent in its handling of the flooding, and some were visibly angry that the SGA had not notified anyone about the incident.

"We didn't notify students over the summer," Hartschuh said, suggesting that it was a matter of not keeping an

inventory of who stored what. "We had no idea whose items were damaged." He added that his organization has not "really taken claims" for any damages.

Claire Kirby '09 said that she had no idea "SGA storage floods periodically," listing her down vest as well as sheets and towels as damaged goods she had to throw away. "The entire box was cemented to the floor," she said. "[The clothes] were all completely ruined. Some of it might have been sewer water."

Kirby's hallmate, Abigail Knapp '08, also found her belongings not as she left them. "I had three boxes ... and my refrigerator," Knapp said. "My refrigerator was flipped to its side, and I didn't think of anything of it. I got back and I plugged it in, and I realized that ... the wires had come undone." She added that she dare not let its setting get past anything "higher than one," or else "everything starts exploding."

"I open the refrigerator and the cans are busted open," she said.

See "Storage," page 2

Holmes: Class of 2010 is energetic, positive



First-year students walk through the Kauke Arch, as is part of the Wooster tradition, and go on down the green (Photo courtesy OPI).

► This year's first year class is also featured in a story by Jonah Comstock '10 in this week's Features section. The story highlights the record-breaking number of international students in the class of 2010. See page 5 for more details.

Alex Cacioppo
News Editor

Last week, on the eve of courses commencing, the Class of 2010 completed a four-day series of seminars, lectures and sessions collectively known as first-year orientation, which is meant to direct the new first-year toward what the College of Wooster

has to offer.

In essence, it appears that while some students thought it interesting and useful, the consensus is that it was much too long.

Jessica Neff '10, who lives in the first-year residence hall Holden Annex, took much away from orientation and found it a positive experience. Neff described it in sum as "really good," namely how the College "had everything mapped out for you." She added, "It was really easy to follow." Others were not so enthused, feeling instead that it was tasking, even completely uninteresting.

Some students expressed their sentiment more curtly. "They kept us busy," said Brenna Reynolds '10, who lives in Compton.

Keeping up what appears to be the



Student Resident Director Elizabeth Wojtowicz '07 (right) helps out an incoming student with his belongings. There were several assistants on hand through the week (Photo courtesy OPI).

common refrain, Chris Malone '10, a resident of Wagner, said that the whole process "was too long," and felt that there was simply "too much to do."

Another reflected on it with relief. "A lot of it was really boring," said Adam Miller '10, who also lives in the Annex.

"I was just really glad when it was all over, and I didn't have to go around to a million different places a day," he added.

The itinerary for the new class during those four days, according to the New Student Orientation pamphlet, ranged from the two Becoming a Student seminars to the procession through the newly renovated Kauke Hall Arch.

The Class of 2009, for the first time

in the College's history, walked instead through a cardboard scaled-down replica of the Arch as Kauke underwent reconstruction last year.

One of the rumored innovations with this orientation was an increased underscoring of responsible drinking, as a countermeasure to last year's noted excesses.

"The fall of 2005 was ... a hard semester for alcohol abuse and misuse," said Dean of Students Kurt Holmes, referring to the Class of 2009. He does not, however, "think we actually have a greater emphasis on alcohol," though he noted, "We were able to move the No Means No session to earlier in the schedule."

Holmes added that the mandatory student-run performance intended to See "Orientation," page 2

Residence Life pairs up with personality tests

Laura McHugh
Senior Staff Writer

Of all the big uncertainties on the minds of incoming first-year students, worrying about who their roommate will be and whether they will get along well together is at the top of the list.

This year, in an effort to counter this uncertainty and form more successful roommate pairings, the College's Office of the Dean of Students required all incoming first-year students to fill out a personality trait screening device called the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI).

In existence since World War II, the MBTI is a personality test that classifies peoples' preferred traits on a scale of four areas known as "dichotomies." These are listed as extroversion vs. introversion, sensing vs. intuition, thinking vs. feeling and judging vs. perceiving.

Participants respond to a series of questions and are given a four-letter acronym that indicates how they prefer to deal with situations and make decisions. Using Myers-Briggs, a person might be determined to be an "ESTJ," meaning that they tend toward extroversion, sensing, thinking and judging.

The Indicator is not only being used to make successful roommate pairings, but also to make successful halls. "We want balanced halls of introverts and extroverts," said Dean of Students Kurt Holmes.

"Not everyone buys into Myers-Briggs," said Holmes. Critics of MBTI claim that the creators of the test, Katherine Cook Briggs and Isabel Briggs Myers, lacked any scientific, medical, psychiatric or psychological qualifications.

Critics also state that the MBTI terminology is vague and complicated, allowing any kind of behavior to fit any personality type. Nonetheless, MBTI is used by companies and other institutions worldwide to help people understand and match up to their strongest traits. Holmes is a believer, saying the MBTI was successful when used at colleges he worked at before coming to Wooster.

The MBTI is only the first part of a three-part process the Office of the Dean of Students used to make roommate pairings.

"We've extended the six basic questions," said Holmes. In the past, students were asked as a part of the Housing Application for New Students basic questions about their music, sleep patterns and smoking preferences.

In the new application, it is not required, but students are asked personal information such as religious affiliation, height and weight. "We use the information that you can't ask for in the admissions office," said Holmes. "We won't put two students together who have an 18-inch height difference between."



Incoming students Megan Palicka '10 (left) and Lindsey Stout '10 (right) lounge in their dormroom (Photo by Karin Johnson).

"We don't want one to be known as the short one or the tall one ... they're individuals, not labels," he added.

The third part of the process involved Holmes' staff reading the first-year students' letters of recommendation. "We look through the admissions folder heavily," said Holmes.

The reason for this, he added, was to find any important information the student might have left out in the housing application. The example Holmes gave was there might have

been a death in the family that the student did not mention in the Housing Application, but did mention in the letter of recommendation.

The Myers-Briggs Type Indicator is also used in the areas of pedagogy, leadership and employee training, and personal development. Upper class students can ask for the MBTI in the Career Services Office, complete it at leisure, and then schedule an appointment to discuss the results.

The survey itself takes about an hour to complete, with results available ten working days later.

NEWS BRIEFS

CAMPUS

Nafisi opens 2006
Wooster Forum

The 2006 Wooster Forum Series opens with Azar Nafisi, the author of *Reading Lolita in Tehran*, visiting professor and director of the Dialogue Project at the Foreign Policy Institute of Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies in Washington, D.C.

Nafisi will be hosting a discussion on her best-selling book, which was required reading for the Class of 2010. First-year students engaged in discussions on the text on the last scheduled day of their orientation.

The Forum Series, which brought to Wooster speakers such as Michael Moore and Jane Goodall, is entitled this year *Piety and Heresy: Conforming to and Transcending One's Culture*.

Nafisi will be speaking in McGaw Chapel at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

The next forum event will take place on Thursday, Sept. 28 as DJ Spooky takes the stage in McGaw Chapel. An electronic musician, DJ Spooky will present "Rebirth of a Nation," a remix of the 1915 D.W. Griffith film "Birth of a Nation."

STATE

Hepatitis scare hits
Kent State

The Plain Dealer reported Wednesday that a female student attending Kent State University did not in fact contract the Hepatitis A virus.

Health concerns were raised regarding a worker with Kent State's food service division contracted the virus. Over 460 students have been inoculated since the disclosure.

NATION

President Bush
acknowledges CIA
secret prisons

For the first time, President Bush has publicly acknowledged the existence of so-called black sites (or prisons) in Eastern Europe, according to a BBC dispatch. The CIA has been using them to hold suspected terrorists, which was revealed in a press disclosure that the White House had originally condemned.

September 11th nears
fifth anniversary

The fifth anniversary of the 9/11 attacks arrives with a slew of TV miniseries, documentaries and public remembrances. The White House issued its statement regarding the CIA prisons (above) as a part of an overall public relations attempt to rigorously defend Bush's anti-terror policies as the day approaches.

WORLD

Winner declared in
Mexican election

The highest electoral court in the United States of Mexico declared pro-business candidate Felipe Calderon the victor in a bitterly disputed election that polarized the country.

The opponent, socialist runner-up Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, vowed to not cease his obstructionist tactics and declared the results illegitimate. Calderon won the election, as the court unanimously stated, by a razor-thin margin.

Middle East update:
Israel lifts military
blockade on Lebanon

A bulletin from the New York Times reports that Israel has announced a total cessation of its military blockade by sea and air over Lebanon. Meanwhile, a UN-backed international force seems ready to put into effect the disarmament of the terrorist Hezbollah militia.

CORRECTIONS

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Gault Manor construction halted until 2007

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Voice Staff Writer

Since 2003 Wooster has worked to update and improve the college as part of its Independent Minds campaign. One of the projects this campaign has undertaken is the construction of a new residence hall.

Gault Manor will be located on the corner of Wayne Avenue and Beall Avenue, the former home of Safety and Security, across the street from Bornhuetter Hall. The one downside to this addition to the Wooster campus is that construction, which began early this summer, was suddenly halted for unknown reasons. Wooster administration reports the cause for the change in the construction schedule was due to the increased price of construction during the summer months.

Once Safety and Security (Culberson House) was moved, the location was cleared and the space was ready for construction to commence. But it did not. Gault Manor was slated for completion by the fall of 2007.

However, the construction will be



The future site of Gault Manor. The above rendering is in front of the proposed construction grounds (Photo by Mac Buehler).

put off until spring of 2007 because, according to Vice President for Development Sara Patton, the construction costs "came in too high. Spring and summer is a very busy time for contractors so we're going to

bid the project this winter with the idea that construction will begin in the spring of 2007."

Very few specifics have been released on the hall itself. The Wooster Web site has conflicting numbers relating to

how many rooms the Manor will have; the hall will have 74 beds, 65 beds or room for 60 students (according to Wooster's Institutional Profile, and a press release written by John Hopkins from June 4, 2005, respectively).

The number of students who will be able to live in the Manor appears to remain up in the air, as does the general layout of the building. Patton says, "Until the project is bid, we really can't discuss specifics ... because it's possible that we still want to make modifications."

Nothing more has been released as to what the residence hall will look like. Many are disappointed that the building will not be completed in time for the start of the next fall semester.

Students are left wondering what Gault Manor will look like, although the student body appears to be mainly indifferent to the construction of the Manor.

The Gault Manor project is funded through a donation from Stanley and Flo K. Gault. "Stan (Trustee Emeritus) and Flo Gault and their family have made a very generous gift for the full cost of the residence hall," Patton said.

Incoming class brings new international prospects

Orientation

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warn against rape and sexual assault was usually "on Friday night" and by then, "many students had already made choices about alcohol and run into sexual situations."

Demographically, the shape of this year's first-year class is somewhat different from past classes. For instance, according to statistics provided by Director of Institutional Research Michael Thompson, there are 1.05 men for every woman, respectively 254 to 242 out of the total enrolled class of 496 first-years. Though this may seem statistically insignificant, the above figure is unusually lopsided, given that the ratio is usually about even.

The College of Wooster's commitment to diversity is clearly demonstrated by the 16 Asians, 11 Hispanics and two American Indians represented in the 2010 class.

Also, there are slightly more international students (29) than African-Americans (27). In addition, 82 percent of the enrolled class is Caucasian, with only 38 percent of the total class coming from Ohio.

"The Class of '10 is energetic and positive," Holmes concluded.



Another look at move-in day, this time outside of Bornhuetter Hall (Photo courtesy OPI).

Students upset over
SGA storage damage
SGA

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Jordan Smith '09 of Xi Chi Psi lamented the situation, claiming that the SGA placed his sopping fraternity's apparel in plastic bags, thus pro-

Hartschuh highlighted.

"The number of students affected was not as high as you might expect," he said. "Unfortunately, the people who were affected by it tended to have more things that were damaged."

Students were presented with the SGA-sponsored summer storage,

"But to take people's stuff, [mess] it up and pretend like nothing happened or not to have the decency to tell me that you [messed] it up when you come back?"

JORDAN SMITH
CLASS OF 2009

ducing mold. "I've heard that Holden floods all the time, alright it floods, that's one thing," he said. "Shit happens. But to take people's stuff, [mess] it up and then pretend like nothing happened or not to have the decency to tell me that you [messed] it up when you come back?" Smith added that he was offered a TV that had been damaged.

Roland Falcon '09, however, did not encounter any problems whatsoever. "I had this big, blue ... 45-gallon giant trunk and I had that," pointing to a foot locker, "big trunk right there, the rack and my fridge was all in there." His trunk appeared to be made out of hard plastic, while his other belongings were metal.

"They're actually all in pretty good condition," Falcon said. "None of my stuff looked affected at all." However, he also noted that he had "heard some horror stories from the past." For the most part, however, such stories appear to be the exception, which

which was one of the more talked about options. Digging deeper, some found other ways to keep their things safe, such as various self-storage locations around Wooster. In years past, as Hartschuh explained, summer storage solutions included a trailer outside of the Security building, which did not prove to be "the most cost-effective thing," he said. Storage has since been moved to Holden basement, which is cheaper.

Students who signed up for the program signed a liability waiver, a point Hartschuh emphasized. He noted, "Their receipt ... had a statement on it stating that they understood that we were not, and the College was not, liable for any damage or anything like it."

Hartschuh added that he personally found out about the flooding during the summer.

"At that point there wasn't a whole lot we could do about it," he said. "It's Ohio. Basements flood."

Wilson, Dooley promoted
to different positions

Sheila Wilson, former assistant to the dean of the faculty, has been appointed secretary of The College of Wooster's Board of Trustees. Wilson worked in a similarly clerical role at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale before moving to Wooster, where she served as the administrative assistant in the office of international agriculture.

She succeeds Anne M. Gates '83.

In other promotion news, the Longbrake Student Wellness Center raised Beau Dooley from the level of Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Prevention Specialist to a more general Health Promotion Coordinator. While serving as the Prevention Specialist, Dooley struck an emphasis on nutritional health and eating disorders among students. He is also a part of the American College Health Association (ACHA), which sponsored last year's Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

—Reports compiled by Alex Cacioppo

Scots start the new year with spirit



RamJam, The College of Wooster's men's Ultimate Frisbee club (pictured above) was just one of the many participants in the 2006 Scot Spirit Day. The event, which took place last Friday on Lowry Patio, showcased campus organizations and included entertainment from WOO91. It was followed by a picnic-style dinner in Lowry Dining Hall (Photo by Karin Johnson).

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OUR VIEW

Students cautioned to be more cop-conscious when partying

As the first week of classes came to an end, perhaps serendipitously coinciding with Labor Day weekend and the first (victorious) football game, joyful parties were in the making. Amid stumbling drunks and vibrant music, however, came lights and sounds that are not foreign to the campus, but are certainly thought of as strange.

Police cars — the real ones — sought out the College campus last Friday and Saturday, and they were successful at freaking out students who gave them good reason to do so.

What makes underage students walk blithely out of a party with a beer in their hands? What makes those who are overage do it, too? We all know — or we should know — that it is illegal to carry an open alcohol container in public, as is being publicly intoxicated. These are laws that pay no heed to age, but if you are under the legal drinking age of 21, the fault is even more serious.

We are intelligent individuals. We know it's plainly stupid to get caught in an illegal act. And as much fun as we have on weekends at Wooster, and as much as we know the inevitability of underage drinking and of campus

security exploring noise complaints, it is always important to note with caution that just because we are college students on a private campus, we are not impervious to the arm of the local law.

As adults in an academic setting, we at the *Voice* encourage you to be responsible when drinking. This means more than not driving and not getting too intoxicated. Before you and your friends decide to leave whatever now-lame party you're attending in search of the next place to spend some hours, and before you pick up a bottle at all, use those brain cells that are slowly declining in count. Remember the law once you decide to use alcohol, or any other drug, to embrace your free time.

Keep your sobriety level, your age and your should-be responsibility in mind. And don't be so surprised when you see officers out doing their jobs. Despite what may be seen by some as an unnecessary level of enforcement, it is legal enforcement nonetheless, and, in the end, only for the safety of everyone involved. Keep yourself and your friends out of trouble; if you refuse to steer clear of the laws, at least steer clear of those enforcing it.

Wooster students must break out of the bubble

Welcome back to the Wooster Bubble. For some of you, this is your last year as a College of Wooster student; others of you are experiencing life here for the first time.

The Bubble isolates us from everything that is not CNN, Fox News and the like.

All of us will more than likely experience the Bubble effect at least once over the course of the 2006-2007 academic year.

It has already happened to me. Just last week, the mayor of my native Pittsburgh died of a heart attack after only eight months in office. I heard about the death of Steve Irwin, the Crocodile Hunter, before I heard about former Mayor O'Connor's passing.

Such is the nature of the news cycle when we get sucked into the Bubble.

Facebook told me about Irwin. (The News Feed feature makes it relatively impossible for one to have missed his death, with over ten memorial groups popping up within hours of his death.) A friend in Bloomington, Ind., had to tell me about O'Connor.

I wish Facebook's News Feed could be as efficient in telling me about what was going on in the world as it was about telling me that the relationship status of my friend Anne from middle school has changed from "single" to "in a relationship."

As college students, we don't look far beyond ourselves for the news. News is what concerns us directly: who was kicked off of Project Runway this week,

what parties are happening on Saturday night, what that idiot editor-in-chief wrote this week in *The Wooster Voice*.

This summer I lived in a suburb of Seattle, Wash., where I absorbed the news cycle much differently.

My workplace was just two blocks away from a bloody shooting at the Seattle Jewish Federation. It was the latest act of brutality in a series of killings that plagued the greater Seattle area.

In all, by the time I left Seattle at the end of July, at least nine people were dead as a result of what seemed to be random violence.

I don't expect much of this to mean anything to members of the College of Wooster community. After all, we are quite the drive from the Emerald City. The thing is, I doubt that I would be so conscious of the same things occurring even in the nearby metropolis of Cleveland as I sit in my desk chair at The College of Wooster.

If I would have just navigated away from Facebook to the homepage of a Pittsburgh daily, I would have most likely found out about O'Connor's death.

Perhaps I would be more sensitive about news in Cleveland if I read The Plain Dealer every now and then (as long as I have a little extra change in my pocket). As Wooster students, we owe it to ourselves and to the communities we come from to break out of the Bubble once in a while.

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[Editorial cartoon by Julia V. Hendrickson. Send comments to jhendrickson08@wooster.edu.]

Voters crucial to survival of democracy

Democracy may be one of the most incredible forms of government to exist in the course of human history. Finally, after thousands of years of dictatorship, monarchies

and oppression, ordinary people have the power to choose their own leaders. The only requirements are citizenship, which you get for free upon being born in the United States, and that you be 18 years of age, which you can achieve without any effort, just as long as you continue breathing. That sounds easy enough.

The greatest freedoms of speech, expression and power rest within the hands of the ordinary citizen, yet only a pathetic 60 percent of the eligible population chose to vote in the last presidential election. An even more pathetic 48 percent of eligible young voters aged 18-29 actually voted. Those are statistics for a presidential election. The statistics for mid-term elections are even more dismal.

Americans need to become involved in the political process. By isolating themselves from the political process, these non-voters' inter-

ests can be ignored by elected leaders. Obviously, no one wants to be ignored by the very people who should be representing him; but by choosing not to vote, these people are seen by candidates as irrelevant to the system and can safely ignore their concerns and issues.

For example, college students who do nothing but attend classes and spend the rest of their time locked away in their rooms are not really a part of the whole college process. By ignoring the system and isolating themselves they are largely ignored by the community and the governing

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apparatuses. If they are not involved in the process decisions are made without their input and they have made themselves powerless.

Democracy is the sacred duty of all Americans to uphold. It requires the participation of the voters. Without them there is no point to democracy. As people disfranchise themselves and remove themselves from the process they can be ignored and America moves closer to the dark abyss that is dictatorship.

All Americans need to step up and

participate in the process. Of course, it is harder to do so from a college potentially thousands of miles away from home, but it's not impossible; it just requires a little bit of effort. Considering hundreds of thousands of Americans have died defending our right to self government, the time it takes to call a town hall to request an absentee ballot doesn't seem like all that much of a pain.

The participation of eligible voters of all ages is absolutely necessary to the survival of the system. By not participating you're disempowering yourself and enabling leaders to ignore your concerns. The mid-term elections are just as important as the presidential elections, as they give voters the opportunity to elect state governors and legislators.

The last day to register to vote is Oct. 10 so there's still time. I encourage all eligible voters on campus to make the effort to get involved with your political system. Whether you are Democrat or Republican, democracy is distinctly American and requires your participation to succeed and continue to guide our politics in the future.

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Online registration implies selling your soul

It began as an e-mail. ("Use the attached instructions to access the Scotweb. Select appropriate courses and then schedule your advising conference...") Then The Packet arrived in campus mail. ("You are authorized to register using ScotWeb...") When the final e-mail arrived ("Don't forget to fill out the feed-

back form when you have completed registration...") it felt like the final nail in the coffin.

Online registration. It feels so modern, doesn't it? So sleek. So streamlined. Technologically advanced and as non-interactive as possible. It conjures up images of hundreds of stu-

dents at their laptops, pecking away at keyboards as class rosters flash on the screens. Registration becomes one-stop shopping between Facebook and e-mail. Simple? Sounds like it. Impressive? Hell yes.

But what does going online for something like this say about our character? For me, it's comparable to those MySpace romances where people date each other based on personality profiles and instant-messaging skills. We're obviously losing some kind of genuineness when we eliminate real human contact.

The appearance of online scheduling here is doubly painful because The College of Wooster has always been, for me, truly down-to-earth. We will chat with you. Really. Students smile and wave at each other. Members of our faculty follow up e-mails with a phone call. Need to talk to the Dean? Stop by.

Let's examine why the College might be tempted to make such a switch. The answer is easy: to avoid

arena scheduling, of course. "Arena," the Roman word for the sand used to soak up blood after combat, seems strangely appropriate to describe the madcap battle that takes place every semester. It's loud, it's chaotic, it's stressful. It can be frustrating, especially when you ask for a label for Basic Chemistry and are offered Major Epochs of German Literature instead. It can be dangerous, especially when you're sprinting to fill the last slot in the 11 a.m. Abnormal Psychology class and, incidentally, so is the senior linebacker.

But that's the kind of stress and danger people love. It gets our adrenaline roaring when we're unleashed in a crowded gym and told to go for blood. It's reverting back to the days of the cavemen and the fight for sur-

"Essentially, online scheduling streamlines by removing all of the good points about arena scheduling and pitching them out the window."

vival, back to the primal hunt. Kill or be killed. It's stimulating. It's sexy. It's thrilling. We howl like she-wolves over a freshly caught primary-choice course.

Now, of course, those days are gone. Our main competitor, the linebacker, vanishes. He is replaced by the skinny, pale computer hack. Class lists are determined by the speed of your connection.

This isn't thrilling or sexy or primal at all. In fact, it's a biological disaster. Evolution doesn't work that way. And adrenaline doesn't flow over a keyboard or through a monitor. The tapping of a mouse doesn't set my heart pounding the way the next announcement of closed classes always did. Does your brow drip with sweat while you scroll through course lists? Not mine.

Of course, at some level the primal nature slows down. Most of us have

developed language skills, for instance, that limit our caveman behavior to some extent. But aspects of arena scheduling are dependent on this ability as well. Want to schedule a class that's full? Talk to the teacher. He's right there. Arena scheduling is personal attention combined with common sense and academic savvy, three reasons most of us would cite as precisely why we're each paying over \$7,000 dollars to be here. Why give up that privilege?

The tendency of most people is to see online registration as the solution to everything that is tiresome about scheduling. The trouble is, our expectations of technology are usually ridiculous.

The Internet does not magically make classes more available. Nor does it make registering any less of a pain. It doesn't make the game any easier to win; it just moves the playing field so that we stagger around like five-year-olds at their first soccer practice.

Essentially, online scheduling streamlines by removing all of the good points about arena scheduling and pitching them out the window. Common sense? Individual consideration? Disregarded and unceremoniously replaced with usernames, passwords, and an obnoxious program called ScotWeb, all in the pursuit of convenience.

It's remarkable how something so simple can take away both the essence of the College and of our identity as people. Lives can't be adequately fulfilled through cyberspace. Fate shouldn't be determined online. Click through courses, sell your soul.

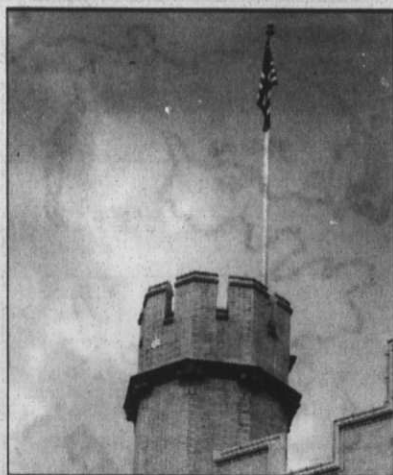
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Molly Lehman
Features Editor

The heart of campus, Kauke Hall has stood as a symbol for The College of Wooster for over 100 years. It has seen thousands of students pass through its arch and it is at the center of some of the College's most revered traditions. Its twin towers are part of the Wooster landscape and are on the College flag. It is frequently described as a literal Ivory Tower, an emblem of academic pursuits and liberal arts education.

This year, Kauke Hall reopened its doors after extensive renovations that began in the summer of 2005.

HISTORY

The renovation of Kauke is not the only one in its long history: in fact, this is the third "new" Kauke to appear on campus.

In December 1901, "Old Main," the College's original main academic building, was destroyed in a fire. Exactly one year later, four new academic buildings had been built to replace it: Scovel, Severance, Taylor and Kauke Halls.

Kauke Hall was built from the ashes of Old Main. In fact, Kauke's founda-



It's finished at last!

Kauke Hall reopens after a year of renovations

tion still contains Old Main bricks. It was designed to last: the floorboards are four inches thick and the exterior is a combination of brick, terra cotta and Ohio limestone.

In the 1960s, Kauke Hall was renovated and updated in the style of the decade. The 1962 Kauke Hall's hallways, office, classrooms and even heating units were painted pale green. The tile, too, was green, and so were the plastic chairs and desk seats. The classrooms were done in light beige, and doors had a plastic wood-grain finish. The ceilings were lowered and the tall windows partially obscured.



In recent years, it had become apparent that Kauke was due for a remodeling. In addition to being outdated, the 40-year-old architecture was beginning to fall apart. Parts of the ceiling leaked, and the plaster was starting to crumble. Classes were held in storage rooms, and the building was inadequate for increasing technology needs.

THE CAMPAIGN

Independent Minds: The Campaign for Wooster was launched by the College in July of 2000. The theme for the campaign, "Independent Minds," was chosen in tribute to the Independent Study program and unique academic environment at Wooster.

The campaign is the largest fundraising event in Wooster's history. Its goal is to raise \$122 million by June 2007. So far, \$116.5 million has been raised towards that goal.

The program is divided into three parts: operating

funds, capital funds and endowment," said Sara Patton, vice president for development. "The Kauke renovation, at \$18 million, is the largest project in the capital component." In fact, the Kauke renovation is the largest capital project The College of Wooster has ever taken on.

The magnitude of the project required some generous gifts. Much of Kauke's renovation was paid for through a challenge issued by the Walton family in January 2004.

The Waltons, best known as the reigning family of the Wal-Mart empire, announced that they would match every dollar the College of Wooster raised, up to \$8 million, between January 2004 and March 2005. The offer was later augmented by an offer by the 1525 Foundation of Cleveland, which announced in November that they would donate the last \$500,000 after the College had managed to raise \$7.5 million.

By March, the campaign had managed to meet both challenges with gifts from over 600 alumni and 35 organizations and corporations. The "bricks for Kauke" program, which commemorated donations with decorative bricks on the lower wall of Kauke's south side, were part of the final push for funding. With million-dollar gifts from both the Timken Foundation and Stanley and Flo Gault of Wooster in March, the total was brought to \$18 million and the funding for Kauke was complete.

THE RESULT



With \$18 million, you can do an awful lot, and the College did. "We completely reconfigured the inside," said Patton. "It's basically the same on the outside, except that the stairs on the south side have been taken out and you now go in at grade level. But on the inside, all the faculty offices are on the west side and the classrooms are on the east side. Common areas and the Old Main café are in the middle."

The pale-green '60s decor was redone as well. The woodwork was restored with a dark Victorian finish. "The false ceilings were all removed, restoring the high ceilings," said



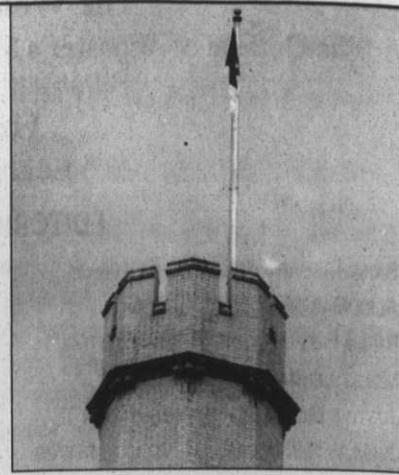
Patton. "They also uncovered all of the high windows, letting in more light." In addition, the technological abilities of the building was redesigned and every classroom is wired for computers.

THE UNVEILING

Reactions to the new Kauke have been overwhelmingly positive. On the College Web site, 84.5 percent of students polled gave the renovation an "A." Faculty, too, has plenty of praise to offer. "It's like two different buildings," said Mark Graham, assistant professor of religious studies. "Before, Kauke was kind of crumbling around us. I think this is a really well-designed building."

"[Kauke] was initially disorienting, but in an exhilarating way," said Nancy Grace, professor of English. "It's spacious and clean."

"It's funny, I'm in the same office I was in when I



started teaching at Wooster back in the '70s," remarked Charles Hurst, professor of sociology. "It's markedly different, of course: there were peeling walls that were painted a sort of sickly green institutional color and leaky windows. It's much more spacious and grander now. I feel like I've come full circle."

"We are absolutely delighted with the result," said Patton. "We had wonderful architects ... They were just terrific. Everyone we've talked to, I think it's just exceeded their expectations."

Kauke continues to be a symbol for intellectual excellence at The College of Wooster, and its renovation has only heightened the comparisons. "No longer are Kauke's foundations hidden behind plaster walls that crumble from moisture trapped behind; they are out for all to view," said President of the College R. Stanton Hales in this year's convocation speech. "Likewise, we must always see to it that the foundations of an education at Wooster are equally visible: both in the words we use to describe this education — in mission statements and beyond — and in the practices we employ to pursue that mission and implement that education."



All photos by Karin Johnson.

First-year class crosses the globe to come to Wooster

Incoming class has record-breaking number of international students

Peter Mulder



Country of Origin: The Netherlands

Why did you choose to come to Wooster?

I had not been to the U.S. to check universities, so I had to use the Web site, and it looked really good and was really highly rated.

What are some differences that you've noticed between America and the Netherlands?

Food. You guys eat a lot, but your food's pretty good. It contains a lot of fat but it's good. Another thing is social activity. You guys are much more open and spontaneous, and it's way different in Holland. Even if you don't know someone you're really nice to them. It's a really good thing. The campus is really beautiful, and in Holland that's not the case. You just have buildings separated in the city, so the whole concept of like a campus is really cool.

How was the trip?

I went to Moldova last summer and I lost my luggage. That was not too much fun. But my trip to the United States went very well, other than that I arrived at 3 a.m. because I missed the plane. It was overbooked so I had to fly like nine hours later. But it went well.

What do you think about the experience overall?

I like it a lot. I like it just to be away from home and to meet people.

Gitika Mohta



Country of Origin: India

Why did you decide to study here?

Studying in the United States offers flexibility in terms of courses and I had no idea what I wanted to pursue. I have an interest in the humanities as well as math. Doing a combination of both math and history and art and economics would be impossible in my country, as well as in other countries such as the United Kingdom because you have to be predecided about what you want to do. You don't get this liberal arts education anywhere else ... In one semester I can do something like astronomy with art or philosophy with Latin.

How do America and India differ?

Actually, if you look at it, everything is different. It's very vibrant here. Every moment you have something to learn from the people around you. If I'm sitting in the hallway and I'm just talking to people it's something new I'm learning about them ... I'm walking on a street and it's just entirely different ... I'm looking at shops, I'm looking at people, I'm looking at buildings, I'm looking at vegetation that doesn't even exist back there. So everything is different. And everything is really accessible here, that's the best thing. Anything you need is almost at your doorstep, a stone's throw away or something. There's no shortage of anything. You get sick of the food at times, but there's not a lack of it. There's almost a surplus.

Jonah Comstock
Voice Staff

A week before most of the first-year students passed through the Kauke arch into the world of Wooster, a handful of students were already moving in. These students weren't coming from Ohio or the Midwest, or even California. They were flying for days from countries as far away as Myanmar, Jamaica, Ethiopia or the Netherlands.

A total of 28 international students are a part of this year's first-year class, as well as nine global nomads (U.S. citizens who have been living abroad) and five exchange students who will stay at the College for one year. This is a large class size compared to the last few years, but not in the context of the College's history.

"Last year, [international enrollment] was about 16 or 18, but in past years we've always gotten around 30 or 40 or so," said International Student Admissions Counselor Jonathan Edwards. "When I first started it was around 40 or 50."

The rise that international enrollment seems to be experiencing is really just the second part of a U-curve the college has been experiencing for the past few years, said Karen Edwards of the Office of International Student Affairs. Edwards believes that the issues affecting international recruitment are bigger than just The College of Wooster itself.

"There's no doubt that international student recruitment since 9/11 has been more difficult, not just from the perspective of recruitment per se, but from the perspective of world economy and regulatory issues. We've felt

really blessed this year because all of our students from China, for example, got their visas. That just hasn't happened for many years, and so we were thrilled about it," said K. Edwards.

Having the right mix of American and International students is important to the College, which has set a goal of seven percent for international enrollment. The school is currently just under that goal. "I think that seven to 10 percent is ideal because it means that there's an established international presence on campus," said K. Edwards. "Those students have a support system in that there's other people like them going through the same thing. It's a large enough population that they won't be isolated."

Of course, an American education is as much of an advantage for the students as international students are for the College. Students choose to study in America for many reasons, but chief among them are that America has a strong reputation for good schools and that it's one of the only places in the world with liberal arts colleges.

"Liberal arts is pretty unique to the U.S. A lot of the higher-ed systems are geared toward a particular job — to become an accountant or become an engineer. For instance, in Japan the universities get funding from companies to train their management. It's a very different sort of idea," said J. Edwards.

Both Jon and Karen Edwards are constantly working with their departments to improve the international student experience, as well as their numbers. They're employing several different methods that might account for the recent increase in enrollment.

"It's tough because a lot of what we do on the domestic side is geared toward bringing students to campus and then we hope that the campus and our faculty and our students will sell itself," said J. Edwards. "On the international side we don't have that. It's all done pretty much through correspondence, or through travel that I do where I meet students early on in the process at their schools or meet their counselors at conferences I go to."

Edwards is working on an informational DVD that he'll be able to send to international students in the future, and many students make great use of the Internet to learn about Wooster.

"I think one of the things now we're looking at are publications," said K. Edwards. "Do you put a football player on the front or do you put a soccer player or do you put a cricket player? And those sorts of decisions have a big effect. We also did some things I think that were positive as far as how we communicated with students, in terms of helping them with the visa interview, and helping them with the I-901, which is a form they have to fill out and a fee they have to pay prior to the visa application. This year we sent, I felt, the best materials we ever had in terms of helping them through that process. We try to have a lot of contact with those students over the summer."

It may not be an all-time high, but enrollment is on the rise and the staff at Wooster is eager to help it up. "I don't want to be overzealous and say that it was a fantastic year," said K. Edwards, "because I want it to keep getting better. Last year was a real low year for us, and this year went well, so we're hoping that that's a trend."

Baby monkey born this summer

Newest addition makes five capuchins in the College's colony

Kate McGaughey
Voice Staff

The stork visited The College of Wooster last summer, bearing a very unique package. A baby was born to Riley and Alex, two of the College's capuchin monkeys, on June 22. As the gender of the baby has not been identified yet, it remains unnamed.

The College has a total of five monkeys. It is uncommon for undergraduate institutions to have primates. "We are very lucky to have them, because of their high cognitive abilities," said head caretaker Leah Michelson '08. Professor of psychology Claudia Thompson, who researches the monkeys, notes that having them here is entirely due to a deep commitment by the students who care for them.

Capuchins, or *Cebus apella*, are one of

the smartest types of New World monkeys. Their native habitat is the rainforests of Central and South America, but all of The College of Wooster's monkeys were bred in captivity. Capuchin monkeys are not an endangered species.

"At this point, we're watching for developmental milestones," said Thompson. Baby capuchin monkeys don't move on their own until they are about six months old. Until that time, the baby's natural clinging instinct and the mother's cradling make the two inseparable.

Developmental milestones are mental practices which are observed in the baby's growth process. "It's learning how to pay attention, perceive and remember things. It focuses on [other monkeys'] hands, eyes and mouths, and can pay attention. Maybe it's

beginning to understand what feeding or grooming is," said Thompson.

The monkeys have their own space in Morgan Hall, and aside from when student caretakers enter to clean and feed, their independent space is well respected. "We take really good care of our animals," said Michelson. The capuchin monkeys live in a zoo-like enclosure complete with chains for climbing, natural light, a monkey house and many toys for enrichment. A lot of care is put into their well-being and outside visitation is kept to a minimum. "Noise from the observation room is audible," said student caretaker Jessica Winchell '09. "It riles them up."

Six capuchin monkeys came to The College of Wooster in 1983 as a gift from The University of Chicago. Now in their third generation,

capuchins have been used for observational studies by Thompson, her research assistants, and seniors interested in studying the cognitive processes of primates for Independent Study projects. Wooster's monkeys have recently participated in studies concerning tool use, handedness, pointing and imitation. "Since the baby was born, we haven't even been testing," said research assistant Akhil



Illustration by Andy Maloney.

Banthia '08.

The capuchin monkeys play and run around like primates, but have human expressions as well. "They do very human things, and that's fun to see," said Winchell.

Like all animals, they have good and bad days, and research with them can be slow. Working with the monkeys requires "a lot of patience," according to Banthia, because "everything is on their schedule."

Wooster's monkeys are a friendly and stable social group. The new mother, Riley, is "mischievous, but very outgoing and extroverted," according to Michelson. She is a very good mother as well, because she keeps the baby close to her and constantly supports its head. The other

monkeys include the dominant male Alex, who was endearingly described by Banthia as "goofy." Jake is a smart but shy female, and the other female, Gizmo, is a "hyperactive space-cadet," said Michelson.

Wooster's monkeys display a lot of affection for one another. "For me, that's the most important thing, because that's the most important thing for them. It keeps them happy," said Thompson. She and the students work closely with them and have become very attached.

"I've been working with them for 25 years and my affection and fascination for them has never diminished. There are so many things that we still want to understand," she said.



New mother Riley enjoys a snack in the capuchin habitat in Morgan Hall (Photo courtesy of Leah Michelson).

Fantastico! Summer trip to Tuscany a success



Back Row : LuAnn Markley, Lynette Mattson, Rachel Lipner, Rachel Libben, Sarah Mayo, Kim Mayo, Dayna Vimont, Kat Brausch; Middle Row: Heather Wolff, Elizabeth Kerr, Emily Long, Carrie Krochta, Sarah Stimson, Cathy Paulson; Front Row: Robert Hutchinson, Tom Hull, Angela Starkey, Lizzie Eckel (Photo courtesy of Madonna Hettinger).

Keli Horton
Voice Staff

If the survival guide to Italy contained the phrase, "Excuse me, sir, my pants are on your window sill," all would be right with the world. Consequentially, since the omniscient gods of tour guides have not decided as of yet to include this rather useful tidbit of information, Elizabeth Kerr '07, Lynette Mattson '08 and her roommates from Wooster's Summer in Tuscany program had to fend for themselves. She and her fellow students, along with Professor of History Madonna Hettinger and her husband George Vermander, spent a summer within the walls of Siena, Italy, in close proximity to its residents, its culture, its window sills and its rich history.

"I designed this program in response to the need for a program that would allow students who couldn't take the whole semester off ... and wanted a study abroad experience to have one," stated Hettinger with conviction from behind her desk. For many students, namely science majors, a traditional study abroad experience is out of the question. This sparked Hettinger's interest in providing an opportunity for students from different backgrounds of study and with a desire to travel to spend time living and learn-

ing away from home, not to mention an opportunity to share her own wealth of knowledge of Medieval history.

"You always worry whether you'll spend too much time traveling and miss the work or spend too much time in class and miss the experience," said Sarah Stimson '08, a history minor. "That didn't happen at all." The students spent their days taking two courses titled "Plague in the Towns of Tuscany," a study of the Black Death's impact on medieval communities; and "Mystics, Popes and Pilgrims," a course studying the popularity of extreme forms of religious devotion in the area. However seemingly separate

their classroom was the Tuscan countryside. One night as the class studied chiaroscuro, the play of light and dark in Medieval art and architecture, on the steps of the Duomo, the sun was setting, casting shadows across the city as an illustration of chiaroscuro coming to life. "We were really experiencing the lesson," said Mattson.

Although accentuating each course with on-site experience was a goal in and of itself, Hettinger had another goal in mind. "[My husband and I] have traveled most of our lives. This program gave us the opportunity to share the experience of living in another culture. We watched them



Photo courtesy of Madonna Hettinger.

these courses seemed, the students were happy to find their lessons intertwining and leading them into a deeper understanding of Medieval Tuscany.

"Siena is an above-ground archaeological lab," said Hettinger. These students' courses were not just sterile slide shows. Hettinger need only point around her to highlight an important religious monument or evidence of the plague's devastation. Their desks were on the steps of the Duomo, Siena's stunted but beautiful cathedral, and

[the students] grow very fast and encounter challenges ... we were not just passing through. It was like we lived there and had to adapt," she said with reminiscence. "That's what made this trip life-changing."

It was this aspect of the trip, of living in a different culture and having to adapt that made the trip so memorable for the students. In the walled city of Siena, they traveled by foot, as in Medieval culture. They lived in apartments, not hotels. They cooked their own food, learned their own Italian and spent nights in Il Campo, the city's main square, soaking in Italian culture so that by the end of June, the students scoffed at the American tourists passing through. "Siena became my third home," said Rachel Lipner '09, a biochemistry major. "I want to go back and take my family. I felt like a townspeople, even enough to give

directions to real tourists."

Siena became not just a classroom in the end, and not even just a home. It became a life-changing experience for the students. They're all back at Wooster eager to make a lifestyle change, whether, as in Lipner's case, that means taking some different classes in the coming years to expand her knowledge; or as in Stimson's and Kerr's cases, thinking more about the history of the things around them and acknowledging the relative "newness" of Wooster. In Mattson's and Hettinger's cases, they're taking a cue from the Italians to experience life at a slower pace.

Whether through a window sill mishap or an evening in Il Campo, the Summer in Tuscany program gave Wooster students the opportunity of a lifetime to learn and to grow.

Recycled Percussion rattles McGaw



On Aug. 29, the four-man show Recycled Percussion descended on McGaw Chapel and performed its unique brand of "junk rock" for Wooster students and community members alike. The group paired masterful percussion skills with unusual instruments, including aluminum ladders, buckets and fifty-gallon drums (Photo by Karin Johnson).

THE SCENE

What's on YOUR back- to-school list?

Last Monday, my cell phone rang during class.

No big deal, right? Public Cell Phone Ringing (PCPR) is one *faux pas* that is becoming more and more socially acceptable each day.

So thanks to my one-time negligence in following that crucial classroom etiquette rule — turn off your

damn cell phone — I've joined the ranks of the inconsiderate chatterboxes who actually answer their phones mid-



lecture and the music elitists who pride themselves on downloading an obscure Modest Mouse track (so hipster) or the very latest Justin Timberlake hit.

Unfortunately for me, however, I am part of neither aforementioned category.

This girl needs a BlackBerry.

Anyway. My ringtone, as played earlier this week to Nancy Grace's Beat Literature class (which is, also unfortunately, the largest class I've encountered at Wooster) is Paris Hilton's "Stars are Blind."

Honestly, I'm a bit over Paris's first single. Must be time for a new ringtone, perhaps Hilton's "Fightin' Over Me."

You may say Hilton's a spoiled brat, slut, a snob. But dumb? I say she's dumb like a fox — not to mention laughing all the way to the bank in her Jimmy Choos.

Now THAT'S hot.

Since my deepest and darkest secret has been revealed, I may as well just make like Lance Bass and 'fess up. I'm not gay, but I do have a habitual problem that consists of scouring style magazines for the latest fashions and reading, no — devouring — gossip Web sites. (Personal faves include www.perezhilton.com and www.thesuperficial.com.)

I'll share with you a portion of my back-to-school list:

- Black fingernail polish, this season's version of the iconic Chanel "Vamp"? Check.

- Sky-high wooden platforms adorned with grommets? Check.

- A design-your-own one-of-a-kind tote from Freddy&Ma that's perfect for hauling books around campus? (I'll hopefully check that one off now that I've received my last summer paycheck...)

- Gel pens (and those great ruched leggings!) in every color? Check. Check.

Wait a minute, you think. What is this rubbish? Why do I care what some chick thinks about Nicole Ritchie's alleged weight problem, Britney's style disaster or the new black? Isn't there a new black each season? And speaking of black fingernails, OH MY GOD. Did you SEE Lindsay Lohan's "accidental" flash on the Perez?!

You may also be wondering what happened to SCENE columns of yesteryear. You know, those columns that offered a lighthearted snapshot of life all wrapped up neatly into a 500-word story — quite different than this ridiculous rant that's actually more like a "Devil Wears Prada" version of Nick Cross's Sports Boxers column that was so popular last year.

I might not write about personal issues such as disgust with "the family farm" (hell, I lived on one for 18 years) or my first experience with shaving my head, but if I ever get those Ashlee Simpson-esque hair extensions I've been practically drooling over, you can expect a column about that. I'll write about what I know and love best — celebrities and fashion, basically anything dealing with entertainment.

I'm not exactly sure why it's entertaining that Beyonce's latest album was a total flop ("B-Day"? Should've named it "D-Day") or that Pete Doherty and Kate Moss finally broke up. Wait. They're back together? Oh yeah, it was Jessica Simpson and John Mayer who broke up, but then again, we didn't even know they were dating.

Acts from rap to rock mix it up on the Green



Rapper Gyfted (above left) and the band GreenStreet (above right) are two of the performance acts booked for next Friday's Party on the Green. The headlining act is the band Domestic Problems (Photos courtesy Gyfted and GreenStreet).

Rachel Grinnan Voice Staff

The annual event Party on the Green, sponsored by the Wooster Activities Crew (WAC), is coming once again to the College of Wooster. WAC has announced three musical guests that will be performing on the residential quad on campus next Friday, Sept. 15, at 7 p.m.

The headliner for Party on the Green is a band that came together from the Grand Rapids, Mich. area, Domestic Problems.

Since forming in college, Domestic Problems has released seven independent albums and performed over 200 shows per year.

"I want people to feel that there's something tangible about our music, something that people can grab on to and take with them," said Andy Holtgrieve, lead singer.

"It's a pretty magical and uplifting

experience," he added.

Other band members include Bill Kenny (trumpet, mandolin and guitar), Job Grotzky (saxophones, flute and tin whistle), John Niedzielski (guitars, and vocals) Matt Fouts (bass and vocals) and Reggie Ness (drums).

This year's opening act, Gyfted, is an up-and-rising hip-hop singer

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ANDY HOLTGRIEVE
DOMESTIC PROBLEMS

from Columbus, Ohio.

"Rap music," Gyfted explains, "can be both positive and appealing by blending inspirational lyrics and unique style on top of heavy-hitting production."

Following Gyfted will be the band GreenStreet. These bandmates have known one another since they were children growing up in the suburbs of Detroit; now their band tours

from New York City to Los Angeles. They have only been together for two years, but have been touring all over the country since then.

GreenStreet consists of Matt Kysia (vocals and rhythm guitar), Mike Vendittelli (lead guitar and vocals), Scott Poloney (drums and percussion) and Matt Vendittelli (bass and vocals).

In the past WAC has brought popular headliners such as *Something Corporate* and *Blessid Union of Souls* to the College of

Wooster.

This year, however, co-musical chairs Billy Behnke '07 and Howard Henry '08 did their research to find up-and-coming acts for the annual event.

"Even though these bands are not known nationally," Behnke explained, "they will put on a great show."

"We did a lot of research to find

out what the best bands were for Party on the Green," he added.

Also in previous years, WAC has brought only one type of genre to our campus. This year Behnke and Henry wanted to reach more than one type of audience.

Party on the Green starts at 7 p.m. next Friday, Sept. 15 on the residential quad near Douglass Hall.

Students have free admission with their student I.D.s, and they may bring one guest for a charge of five dollars.

The Underground will be providing alcohol for those 21 years of age or older — bring two forms of identification (student I.D. and driver's license) if you wish to drink.

There will also be non-alcoholic beverages available at this event, which will conclude no later than midnight.

For more information about the entertainment acts and to preview what you may be hearing next Friday, check out their Web sites at <http://www.domesticproblems.com>, <http://gyfted.com> and <http://greenstreetband.com>.

Time, technology: "Going Places Sitting Down"



Caitlin Gillette Voice Staff

The College of Wooster Art Museum is currently featuring two digital art exhibits by artists Jim Campbell and Hiraki Sawa, which will be on display until Oct. 22 in the Burton D. Morgan and Sussel Galleries in Ebert Art Center.

Jim Campbell, a San Francisco-based artist, explores the idea of memory while using low-fidelity technology to represent images.

Campbell, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, combines his two passions of engineering and art, explaining that "engineering is about solving problems, and art is about creating them."

The exhibit utilizes light-emitting diodes, mixed-media and blurry or partial images, allowing viewers to question their over-dependence on technology and memory.

"My work," Campbell says, "is about our (or my) psychological relationship to time and loss (or perhaps even our morality) through memory."

Through Campbell's custom-designed pieces, he addresses familiar technology and creates ambiguity, tying in themes of time and memory. These pieces especially address the

concept of a loss of information due to an over-reliance on technology, challenging the viewers to piece together the obscured images.

Hiraki Sawa, Wooster's other featured artist, also explores memory, but his digitally animated videos also delve into childhood imagination.

Originally from Japan, Sawa is a graduate of the Slade School of Fine Art in London, where he now resides.

His exhibit, entitled "Going Places, Sitting Down" features three panels of separate video footage which inspire viewers to appreciate detail and resort back to childhood memories. Sawa's videos are extremely calming and have been described as a "self-enclosed poetic dreamscape" by Susan Edwards, Executive Director of The Frist Center for the Visual Arts. The videos are eight minute, 40 second loops of footage that include various calming images such as rocking horses and flowing water.

Kitty McManus Zurko, Director and Curator of the College of Wooster Art Museum, is pleased to have two "high-caliber contemporary artists" featured in the art galleries this fall.

Though at first it may not be apparent why the artists are paired



Delve into the childhood imagination and take a magical ride — while sitting down — with Sawa's exhibit at top middle. Campbell's mixed-media images (above) encourage viewers to consider the technological world surrounding them (Photos courtesy Ebert Art Center).

together, Zurko explained that the artists explore the idea of creation of memory through time. She added that Campbell and Sawa explore "humane and gentle concepts that would not exist without technology." Both exhibits will receive an opening reception this Thursday, Sept. 7 from 6 - 8 p.m. in Ebert Art Center.

A gallery talk about Campbell's exhibit will be held on Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. in Room 223 of Ebert.

The College of Wooster Art Museum is open to the campus community and the general public between Tuesday and Friday from 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1 - 5 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Senior Happy Hour 9/8

6 - 9 p.m.

The Underground

- Start off senior year with a brew (or two!) and receive a complimentary "Seniors '07" cup. No cover charge.

Don't Throw Shoes 9/8

8:30 p.m.

Scheide Music Center

- Wooster's hilarious student improvisational theater group is back with their first performance of the year.

Rock 'n Bowl 9/8

7 p.m.

Scot Lanes and Lowry back patio

Nocturne 9/15-9/16

8:15 p.m.

Shoolroy Theatre

- To reserve tickets for the theatre department's first production of the year, call 330-263-2241. Wooster students each receive one free ticket with C.O.W. card.

THE LINEUP

Legends, Losers, Dancers

Welcome to Wooster everyone I would like to start off the year by making a pledge to you.



nickholt

I will never in any column make mention of a certain Cowboys receive, or the Giant's slugger with the giant noggin. I personally would rather be tied down and forced to listen to Paris Hilton's album on repeat while getting a bikini wax than watch another ESPN report on either individual. Speaking of bikini waxes, am I the only one who gets curious when he watches UFC and sees one guy wrap his silky smooth upper thighs around another guy's body?

Anyway, football is back so there's a lot to cover and I might as well get started, but first I discovered (through several e-threats) that I offended some Bo Sox fans with a column I wrote last year. I would like to offer an olive branch to all those in the Red Sox nation. Unfortunately, the team has played so terribly lately, choking and taking themselves out of the playoffs while battling a slew of injuries, that there isn't really anything nice you can say about this rapidly aging team who's pitchers look like they're serving up BP without Varitek. But hey, they unloaded David Wells which has to count for something.

As the college football season started last weekend the media seemed to focus on two games Tennessee vs. Cal and Florida State vs. "the U." In the end Cal showed that there is no West Coast bias while the Florida teams proved that they are no longer elite programs. I knew better though and listened to the real game of the week online on Thursday night: Buffalo vs. Temple. I was not disappointed. The game featured the two worst teams in all of Div. IA. The two teams had just one win combined last season, this was their Superbowl, their one chance this season to get a victory. Buffalo ended up winning 9-3 in triple overtime and the fans

rushed the field. You may say this was an inappropriate reaction but come on, they'd proved they weren't the worst team, they even get to have a winning record for a week. Texas versus Ohio State will be another battle of #1 vs. #2 this weekend, but it doesn't even compare because the loser won't be the worst team for the rest of the season.

Speaking of this week's big game I think it will be no contest. Texas may be returning most of its players from last season, but when I watched Texas games I noticed two players, Michael Huff and Vince Young. The Longhorns were not the best team in the country last year and anyone who watched the Championship game knows that Young alone carried them to victory. They should not be ranked second.

Meanwhile Ohio State has Ted Ginn Jr. and Troy Smith. Sure most of the Buckeyes defense from last season is in the NFL, but they get great recruiting classes every year. I'd bet my left arm that the Buckeyes win this week.

My television moment of the week was watching the Andre Agassi, Marcos Baghdatis match last Thursday night. Nobody thought that Agassi could match up with the ninth ranked player in the world, but somehow Agassi outlasted him and won. Agassi won not on talent but on grit as he limited his unforced errors while his opponent had sudden cramping issues every time he made a mistake. Sure Agassi lost his next match, but in his final tournament he made a sports moment that any sports could enjoy. Watching that match was amazing because it was a rare thing, a time where an aging superstar went out with a bang. Those moments make players immortal. This is why John Elway and Lance Armstrong are loved and flooded with endorsement money while Jerry Rice and Emmitt Smith try ballroom dancing. Fans need to see their idols be great one last time. I hope Brett Favre was taking notes.

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Field Hockey still optimistic at .500

Andrew Vogel
Voice Staff Writer

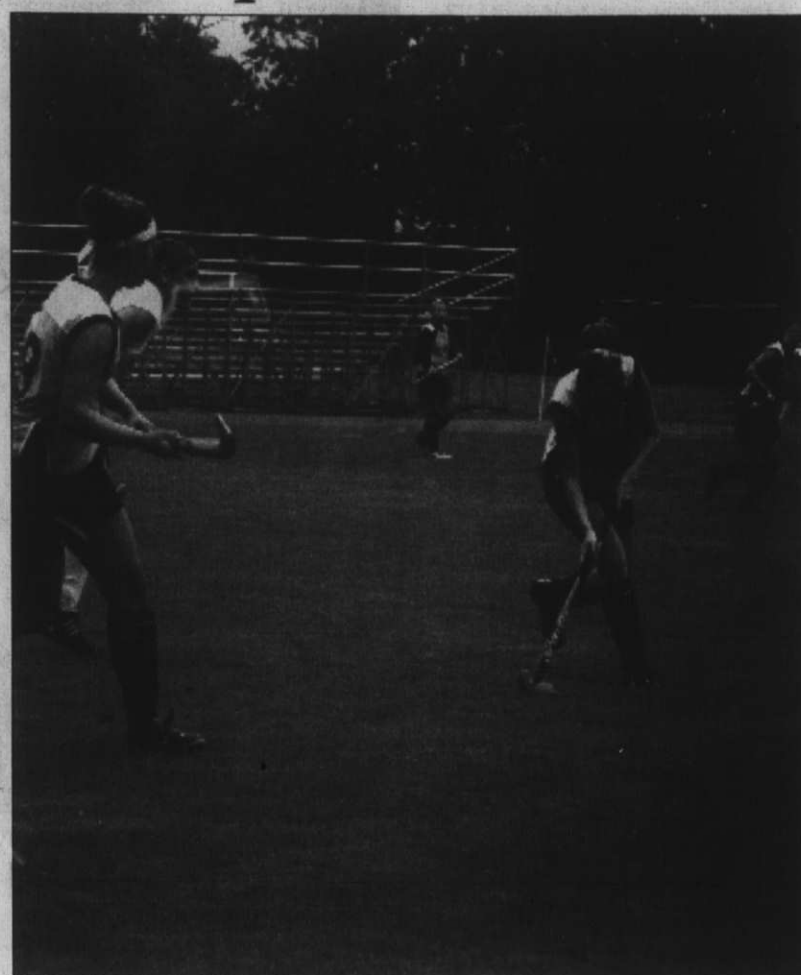
Wooster's field hockey team has a pretty good streak going. Over the past five years, the team has finished in the top two in the North Coast Athletic Conference each year. However, if the team can play the rest of the season like it did in its season opener against the University of the South, the team can do much more than just finish in the conference's top two.

After a convincing 5-0 win against the University of the South on Sept. 2, the Scots look to remain in the hunt for the NCAC title. Signs of optimism rotate around five seniors and an impressive first-year class that will play an integral role if the team is to compete for its first outright conference title since 2001.

Allyn Addis '07, who was named to last year's All-NCAC first team last season, returns as the team's leading scorer. Addis will probably play a big role on offense, especially in the season's early games, as only 35 percent of last season's goal scoring returns.

Although after seeing the team's performance this past weekend, one would have to think that scoring won't be a problem. In the season opener last Saturday, Addis and Brittany Montgomery '10 each scored two goals apiece, as Amanda Artman '10 also added another in the 5-0 rout of Sewanee. Of the team's six total goals, four were scored by first-years. "In both games, we started out strong. I saw a lot of potential in what our team can do. I felt good that the freshmen stepped up," said Addis.

The team could not quite get it done the following day against Centre College. The team opened a lead early, as Artman scored the game's first goal of an Addis pass within the game's first 15 minutes. Centre later tied the game with a little less than seven minutes left in the first half on a shot that just snuck past goalie Anne Leigh '07. Defense dominated the second half, although the Colonels eventually scored the go-ahead goal



Kaitlin Toner '09 leads the Wooster offense down the field. Wooster got off to a 2-2 start, but continues to have high hopes (Photo by Karin Johnson).

with just over 17 minutes to play on a penalty corner. While Wooster had a slight advantage in shots on goal, 11-9, Centre really won the game on penalty corners, leading 12-4 in that department.

The opening weekend split did inspire a great deal of optimism though. Players already think this team has more offensive firepower than last year's squad ever did. Not to mention, these seniors would like to end their careers the way it started, when they tied for a conference championship.

"We're hungry for the outright win. Even though we tied for first our freshman year, we didn't win our conference tournament, which sends you to nationals. So going to nationals is a

big goal for us," said Addis.

The players agree the talent is there. If first-years Montgomery and Artman are able to complement Addis on offense and the defense plays like it did in the first two games, the team could indeed make a run at its first outright conference title since 2001.

"The whole team talks about how we're so much further along at this point in the season than they were last year," said Artman.

At the very least, the team should be able to stretch its streak of top two conference finishes to six. However, if this weekend is any indication, much more can be expected.

The Scots begin conference play tomorrow, away against Earlham.

Wooster's fall teams aim for NCAC glory

Voice Sports Staff

Fall is here, and with it comes a wave of Wooster sports. All of them are looking towards very optimistic seasons. Here is the rundown:

Football

Wooster football retains much experience after a depressing 6-4 2005 season. On offense the Scots return nine of their starters from last year, including the heartbeat of the offense quarterback Justin Shafer '07.

Wooster's defense returns four starters from the NCAC championship team. The Scots have what may be the NCAC's best tandem of ends in Andy Mizak '07 and Evan Watson '07. Mizak is a fourth year starter and was an All-American honorable mention in 2004 after recording a Wooster record 15 sacks.

After their amazing 11-1 season in 2004 the Scots failed to defend their NCAC title in 2005, finishing 6-4 after losing four of their final six games. The fifth place finish only gives Wooster extra motivation to take the NCAC title back.

Men's Soccer

With strong returns, new players, and an extremely experienced coaching staff, Wooster's men's soccer team hopes to reclaim their title as the most powerful team in the North Coast Athletic Conference (NCAC).

The Scots will have to overcome the loss of eight seniors from last year, including Brian Conway '06, who scored 12 of the team's 21 goals and assisted five more.

With 11 incoming players to help balance the team's field positions, a

number of younger players will be placed in starting positions and see frequent play time. The Scots begin NCAC play on the road on Sept. 23 against Earlham.

Women's Soccer

Sarah Schostarez '07 and Erin Lustic '07 look to end Wooster's two year NCAC tournament drought.

Lustic, who transferred to Wooster, has played 33 games, with 14 goals and 16 assists. Schostarez brings equally impressive numbers to the field, with 55 games, 14 goals and 17 assists.

The Lady Scots also have a deep freshman class, with nine girls vying for spots on the field. With this help, plus a talented and deep returning team, the Scots look to improve upon a 9-6-3 overall record, and a 4-3-1 record in the NCAC.

Volleyball

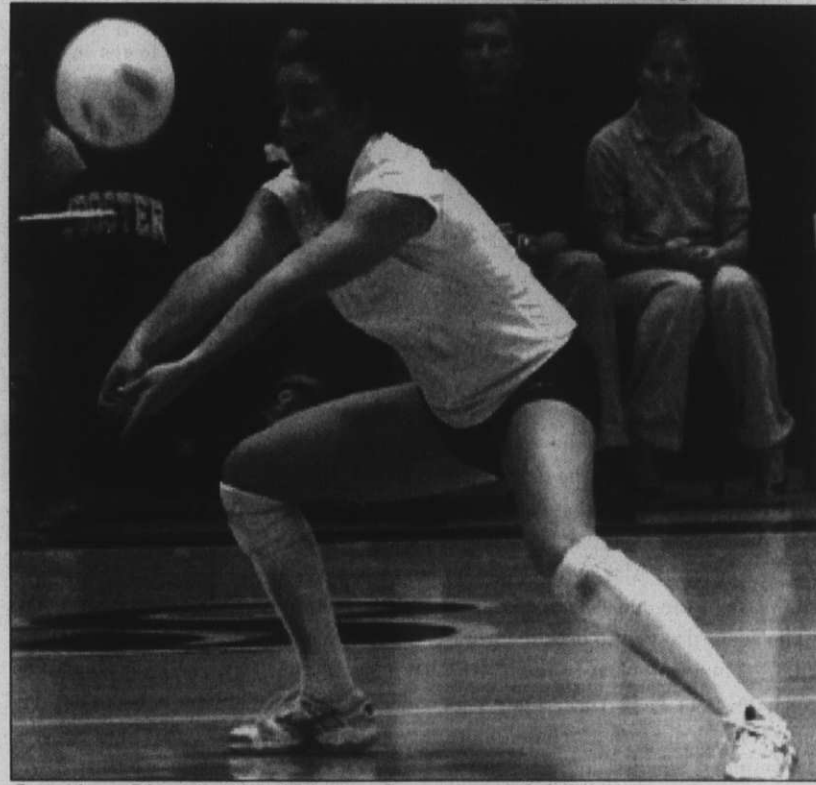
Last year, the volleyball team rallied off seven straight victories en route to a 25-6 overall record and fourth place finish in the NCAC at 5-3 only to fall short in the semifinals to top seeded Hiram in straight sets ending their best season in 21 years.

This year, the Scots must overcome the loss of Tiffany Rice '06 who was the centerpiece of the Scots teams for the last four years, leading them to three 20-win seasons.

Rice led the league in kills both in 2004 and 2005 with 4.33 and 4.75 kills per game (kpg). She also holds the school record for kills at 1,750.

Field Hockey

The Scots look to duplicate the success of last season, in which they found themselves one win away from an NCAC tournament title.



Carolyn Ciregio '08 (Photo Courtesy of OPI).

Wooster will have to rebound from losing four of its five leading scorers from last year's team. However, having a core of five experienced seniors and an impressive first-year class, the Scots have a real shot at winning their first outright NCAC title since 2001.

Cross Country

Wooster cross-country could be in for a historical season, as Katie Wieferrich '07 looks to not only defend her of NCAC title but to finish in the top 10 of all Div. III. Last year, her magnificent season came crashing down last year with an injury that hindered her for the Div. III national meet, causing

her to place 54th.

In addition to this, the Scots have many other runners who are poised to improve on the squads seventh place NCAC finish. The lady Scots retain most of their core runners in Cara Stoddard '08, Nicole Calderone '08, Emily Rackley '07 and Erin Fortin '08.

The men however, look to build for the future as they lose their top two runners Taylor Delhage '06 and Colin Turner '06. Still the Scots have people who are capable of filling the void such as Rudy Gilman '07, Michael Cynkar '09, Mark DeWine '09, Bryan Loy '09, Erik Ramstad '09 and Paul Thompson '09.

Cross country starts easy

Chris Sweeney
Sports Editor

The College of Wooster Cross Country team kicked off the fall season with the Denison Fall Classic, a non-scoring competition held at Denison University. Kenyon, Denison and Wooster competed in four events: men's and women's 3200 meters and men's and women's 5000 K.

Nicole Calderone '08 highlighted the results with her second place finish in the Women's 3200 posting a time of 12:48. Ashley Zervos '06 took forth place coming in at 13:10 and Emily Elderbrock '09 came in at 13:21. No Scots competed in the women's 5000 K.

On the men's side, Rudi Gillman '07 and Dave Thomas '07 each posted top ten finishes in the 5000 K. Gillman took fifth with a time of 16:54 and Thomas tenth with a time of 17:28. Zane Shelter '10 also finished in 13th place with a time of 17:31. No Scots competed in the men's 3200 meters.

The Scots will compete place in the Great Lakes Colleges Association Championships; instead they will take their off-week and return to competition on Sept. 16 at Marietta College's Carl Broughton Invitational.

Fall NCAC Pre-Season Rankings & Upcoming Games

Football (Coaches)

- 1.) Wabash (8) 98
- 2.) Ohio Wesleyan 78
- 3.) Wooster (2) 77
- 4.) Wittenberg 76
- 5.) Allegheny 62
- 6.) Kenyon 47
- 7.) Denison 45
- 8.) Oberlin 27
- 9.) Earlham 26
- 10.) Hiram 14

Football (Media)

- 1.) Wabash (24) 264
- 2.) Wooster (1) 213
- 3.) Ohio Wesleyan (1) 208
- 4.) Wittenberg 193
- 5.) Kenyon (1)
- 6.) Allegheny (1)
- 7.) Denison
- 8.) Oberlin
- 9.) Earlham
- 10.) Hiram

Mens Soccer

- 1.) Ohio Wesleyan (8) 86
- 2.) Wittenberg (1) 76
- 3.) Allegheny 75
- 4.) Oberlin 61
- 5.) Denison 54
- 6.) Wooster 38
- 7.) Kenyon 37
- 8.) Hiram 33
- 9.) Wabash 21
- 10.) Earlham 14

Womens Soccer

- 1.) Denison (7) 79
- 2.) Ohio Wesleyan (2) 59
- 3.) Wittenberg 59
- 4.) Kenyon 49
- 4.) Wooster 49
- 6.) Allegheny 40
- 7.) Earlham 30
- 8.) Oberlin 17
- 9.) Hiram 11

Volleyball

- 1.) Wittenberg (5) 77
- 2.) Hiram (4) 76
- 3.) Denison 60
- 4.) Wooster 55
- 5.) Allegheny 45
- 6.) Ohio Wesleyan 36
- 7.) Earlham 27
- 8.) Oberlin 17
- 9.) Kenyon 12

Field Hockey

- 1.) Oberlin (4) 41
- 2.) Wooster (1) 35
- 3.) Wittenberg (1) 30
- 4.) Kenyon (1) 29
- 5.) Denison 27
- 6.) Ohio Wesleyan 20
- 7.) Earlham 14

*Hiram & Allegheny do not play Field Hockey

Mens X-Country

- 1.) Allegheny (10) 100
- 2.) Denison 90
- 3.) Wabash 75
- 4.) Ohio Wesleyan 67
- 5.) Oberlin 57
- 6.) Kenyon 51
- 7.) Earlham 42
- 8.) Wooster 32
- 9.) Wittenberg 20
- 10.) Hiram 11

Womens X-Country

- 1.) Oberlin (5) 73
- 1.) Denison (4) 73
- 3.) Allegheny 61
- 3.) Ohio Wesleyan 61
- 5.) Kenyon 47
- 6.) Wooster 33
- 7.) Earlham 28
- 8.) Wittenberg 20
- 9.) Hiram 10

Upcoming Games

Football (1-0):
at Waynesburg (Sept. 9)

Mens Soccer (2-0):
vs. Otterbein (Sept. 9)
vs. Marietta (Sept. 12)

Womens Soccer (2-1):
vs. Case (Sept. 9)
vs. Marietta (Sept. 13)

Volleyball (2-2):
Kilt Classic (Sept. 8 & 9)

Field Hockey (1-1):
at Earlham (Sept. 9)*
vs. Transylvania (Sept. 10)

Cross Country:
at Carl Broughton Invitational (Sept. 16)

*Indicates NCAC Game

Football dominates, then sweats in 30-22 win over JCU

Chris Sweeney
Sports Editor

After a dominant first half, The College of Wooster football team witnessed quite a scare as they saw their 24-0 halftime lead dwindle down to ten until Jordan Ferns '09 ran back a kickoff 85-yards for what would be the decisive touchdown in Wooster's 30-22 victory over John Carroll University.

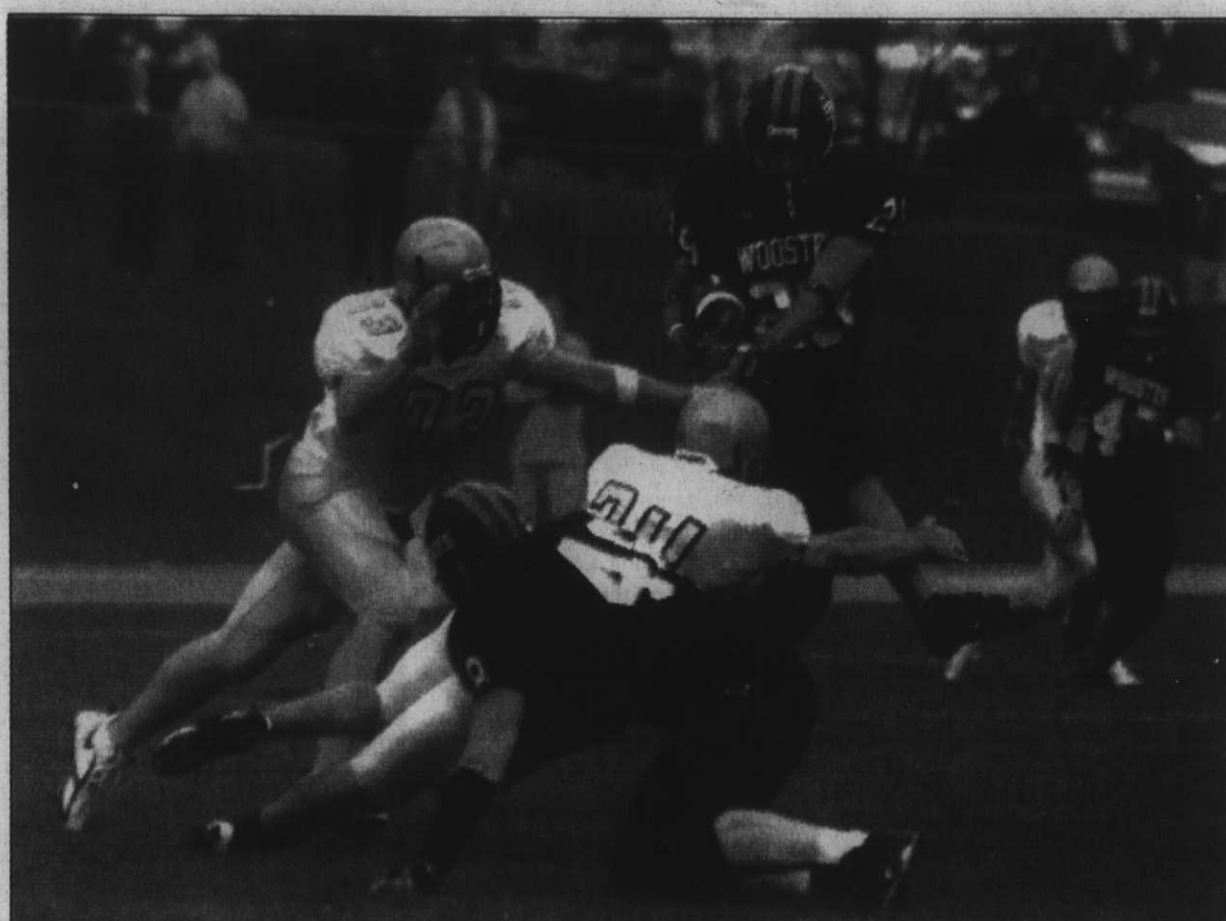
"That was my first kick return for a touchdown. I just didn't want the kicker to catch me," said Ferns.

Wooster missed the extra point, but extended their lead to 30-14. John Carroll would not go quietly into the night as they added another eight points off of an 11-play, 71 yard drive that would take up the first five minutes of the final quarter. Their successful two-point conversion cut the once 24-point Wooster lead down to eight.

John Carroll would get the ball back with eight minutes left and drove all the way down to Wooster's 24-yard line. But Josh Feesler '07 forced an interception giving Wooster the ball back with 5:35 left. The Scots would run the clock down to 1:31, sealing the game for the Scots.

"We came out a little complacent," said Ferns. "They also put in a new quarterback and he turned things around for them."

The new John Carroll quarterback, Mark Petruziello, a transfer from Div. I Ohio University, lit a fire under



Jeff Geffert '08 returns an interception 17 yards to the John Carroll 36 yard line. The pick sets up a successful 32-yard field goal by Andy Milligan '08 and an eventual Wooster victory (Photo by Karin Johnson).

a John Carroll offense that finished the first half with minus-two yards of total offense and one first down in the first half compared to Wooster's 160 yards and ten first downs.

The Scots opened the game with an impressive drive that saw quarterback Justin Schafer '07 hit Ferns

with a 42-yard pass. Schafer also rushed for 17-yards on the drive including the one-yard run for the opening touchdown.

In the second quarter, the Scots jumped on the Blue Streaks with 17 points, most off of turnovers. The first touchdown was a three-play 11-

yard drive off of an interception by Deron Boyd '08 that resulted in a nine-yard touchdown pass from Schafer to Ferns.

Another interception forced by Jeff Geffert '08 set up the Scots for an eventual successful 32-yard field goal by Andy Milligan '08.

The next touchdown came off of a nine-play 40-yard drive by Wooster that culminated in a Schafer 11-yard pass to Greg Peltz '07.

The victory marks the ninth time in ten years the Scots have started off their season with a win.

"It was definitely a focus point to get the season out on the right foot," said Ferns.

Schafer completed 14 of 23 passes for 132 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. Schafer was second in rushing with 46 yards and a touchdown. Ahead of Schafer was tailback Orlando Jones '09 with 48 yards on the ground.

Ferns and Peltz led the team in receiving yards with 63 and 35 yards respectively. Each also caught a touchdown pass.

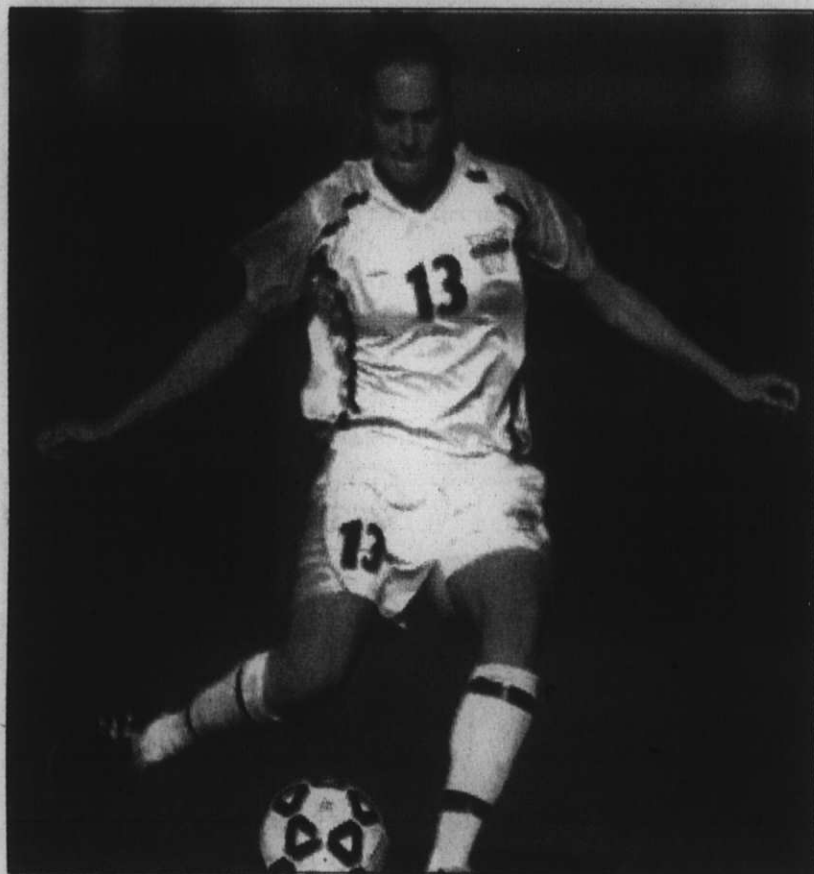
The win puts Wooster at 1-0 on the season as they begin their quest to take back the NCAC title from Wabash.

"We just want to play more mistake-free football," said Ferns. "We have a lot to improve, we played well, but there is still a lot to work on."

Wooster received five votes in the D3football.com national poll for Div. III football. NCAC foe and conference frontrunner Wabash dropped to number 22 in the nation, receiving 117 votes. NCAC rival Wittenberg was dropped 57-7 by Capitol, who is ranked fifth in the nation.

The Scots look to continue their winning ways as they head on the road tomorrow to Waynesburg for a 1:30 kickoff time.

Lady Scots start strong



Erin Lustic '07 is part of an experienced team who has high NCAC aspirations (Photo Courtesy of OPI).

Jessica Sender
Voice Staff Writer

It was gray and drizzling at the start of the second half of the Wooster Women's soccer game on Tuesday. However, the dreary weather didn't keep the Scots back as they handed Washington and Jefferson their first loss of the season, beating the Presidents 3-0.

The shutout began early, with Winnie Adrien '10 scoring off a corner kick. The Scots had other scoring opportunities early, with a ball bouncing off the post and another hitting the crossbar within the first fifteen minutes.

At halftime, the score was 1-0, but the Scots took control of the second half, scoring twice. The first goal of the second half was off an assist by Erin Lustic '07 and was headed in by Kelly Goss '08. The second goal of the half and the final goal of the game came at 63 minutes in, off a shot by Sara Dresser '09. Lustic attained her 50th career point off the assist, becoming only the eighth Scot in team history to accomplish such a feat.

Staci Alario '09 held off the

Presidents in the goalie position, deflecting five shots on the day. Alario was challenged by one that came dangerously close to the goal, requiring a diving save from Alario. Wooster out shot Washington and Jefferson 19-7.

The Scots also played over the weekend, competing at the RIT Tournament in New York. They took third place, losing to Cortland State, but winning against the host team, Rochester Institute of Technology. Lustic and Alice Baumann '10 combined their efforts to defeat RIT 2-1 on Sunday.

Bauman's first career goal came off an assist by Lustic. The only loss of the weekend came against SUNY Cortland, who beat the Scots 4-3. The Scots put forth a valiant effort, with Lustic and Adrien scoring early in the first half.

Sarah Schostarez '07 responded to two goals by the Red Dragons to tie it up to 2-2 going into the second half. The last goal of the game for the Scots was made by Adrien and the Scots weren't able to hold off the Dragons.

The Scots play next at Case Western Reserve University, continuing non-conference play. The game will take place at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Mens soccer starts off with a close one

Johann Weber
Voice Staff Writer

Doubtless, any sports team likes to begin their season with victories. Early victories can boost the entire team's confidence, and create momentum that can launch them to championships. But to call last Friday's Men's Soccer home game against Heidelberg a victor, would be neglecting a number of crucial facts. It would not include Steve Fracasso's '09 amazing winning goal, which he scored by kicking the ball over the entirety of both teams and the Heidelberg goalie, with twenty-eight minutes left. It would not include Scots Coach Graham Ford's colorful references to player injuries. And it would not include the across-the-board amazing performances of Wooster's superbly talented 2006 soccer team.

Wooster then followed the win against Heidelberg with a 1-0 defeat of Lake Erie, powered by Nate Florian '09 and his twelfth minute goal, and defended by Erik Larson '08, who recorded his first shutout of the season. Though neither game was by any stretch flawless, it's the result which matters most.

"Certainly there are always areas on which we can improve, but getting that victory, coupled with another good outcome against Lake Erie, helps to build a young team's confidence," Says Steven

Schott '07.

The team lost eight letterwinners to graduation last year, but has picked up a large number of talented freshman.

"We are young in the experience area, but our underclassmen are very talented and will be essential to this team's success," said Schott.

Warren Swegal '08 adds wise words of caution, noting, "Coming out of preseason with two wins, the team is excited and we know we can go far, but we have to be cautious. We can not take any game lightly. Every match will be tough."

The Scots are preparing for their next games, which include a game Sept. 9 against Otterbein at home at 3:30pm, and a game next Tuesday, Sept. 12 against Marietta. Their first conference game is Sept. 23, against Earlham college.

The team's aspirations are understandably high, but they know they'll have to fight for each victory against their conference opponents. Last year's defending champion Ohio Wesleyan will be facing a younger, more cohesive team.

"Team confidence and moral is high with captains encouraging and pushing every player," says goalkeeper Benjamin Williams '07.

The North Coast Atlantic Conference boasts some very talented teams, but that includes Wooster.

Scots split at Capitol Invitational

Nick Holt
Sports Editor

The College of Wooster's volleyball team began their season last weekend with four matches at the Capital Invitational in Columbus, Ohio. The Scots started and finished well with wins against DePauw (30-28, 22-30, 19-30, 30-24, 15-5) and Otterbein (20-30, 34-32, 24-30, 30-17, 15-13). Unfortunately, the Scot's did poorly in between losing to Capital in four (30-22, 30-11, 11-30, 30-21) and Heidelberg in three (30-28, 30-21, 30-24).

Carolyn Ciriagio '08 led the Scots

and earned herself a spot on the all-tournament team. On the weekend Ciriagio averaged 2.47 kills per game with a 0.230 attack percentage. Ciriagio was also impressive defensively with 34 digs and 6 blocks. Erin Schaffner '07 was a powerful presence in the middle racking up 52 kills for a 3.06 kills per game average.

The tournament gave Scots' fans their first chance to see their new setter Abbie Casey '08, a transfer from Div. I Charleston Southern University. This was not only Casey's first game as a Fighting Scot, but it was also her first at the setter position. Casey seemed to welcome

the challenge stating, "I haven't really ever been a setter which makes my job a little bit more rewarding. It is like learning to walk all over again." Casey did not look like a first time setter as she totaled 101 assists in 3 games (assists were not kept in the DePauw contest). Ciriagio was impressed: "Abbie Casey played extremely well in both the Friday and Saturday games; she played very solid volleyball and is a great asset to our team."

The back row did their part to ease Casey's burden, by consistently putting the ball right on top of her. Leading the back row was Ali Drushal '09 who totaled 90 digs on the weekend. Ashley Quisenberry '07 also played well, registering 53 digs, including 17 and 19 in the two wins. Casey was quick to credit her teammates saying, "There aren't many times when I have to move to far to get a good set [...]the back row gave me some great passes."

The Scots will play their home opener today as they host the Kilt Classic. They will be in Pool A with Bluffton University, Malone College and Roberts Wesleyan. Pool B will be made up of Mt. Union, St. Vincent, Urbana and Waynesburg. The tournament will finish up tomorrow.

PICK 'EM

Chris Sweeney, Nick Holt and Andrew Vogel pick the biggest college and pro games of the week. Their records will be tracked throughout the year. Feel free to contact them at voice_sports@wooster.edu.

C = Chris, N = Nick, A = Andrew
All = Everyone

College

Saturday Sept. 9

(C, N) #1 OSU at #2 Texas (A)
#19 PSU at #3 Notre Dame (All)
(C, A) #18 Clemson at BC (N)
(All) #12 Georgia at South Carolina
(N) #20 Oregon at Fresno St. (C, A)

NFL

Thursday Sept. 7

(All) Miami at Pittsburgh

Sunday Sept. 10

(A) Atlanta at Carolina (C, N)
Baltimore at Tampa Bay (All)
(N) Buffalo at New England (C, A)
(N, A) Cincinnati at Kansas City (C)
(All) Denver at St. Louis
(A) New Orleans at Cleveland (C, N)
N.Y. Jets at Tennessee (All)
(C, N) Philadelphia at Houston (A)
(C, N) Seattle at Detroit (A)
(C, A) Chicago at Green Bay (N)
(C, A) Dallas at Jacksonville (N)
San Francisco at Arizona (All)
(N, A) Indianapolis at N.Y. Giants (C)

Monday Sept. 11

Minnesota at Washington (All)
(All) San Diego at Oakland

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